

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: T & A Teacher

Other Known Title: Sinkan

Medium: DVD

Director/Author: Hideki Araki

Producer/Publisher: Kouichi Murakami

Country of Origin: Japan

Language: English, Japanese

Applicant: The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.

Distributor: Vendetta Films

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

Date of entry in Register: 14 May 2008

Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 800589

Unexcised version of publication:

	Components	Running time
Menu:	Play Set Up	
Feature:	T & A Teacher	26.40
Other components:	Siren Visual Notice	
Total running time:		26.40

Excisions: No Excisions Recommended

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons
for classification:**

The DVD *T & A Teacher* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The DVD's main component is a short anime feature made in Japan. The feature is devoted to the explicit depiction of sexual activity. It contains a scene where a young man ignores a woman's clear statement of lack of consent and continues with a sexual approach. He is rough and controlling even when it becomes obvious that the woman has begun to respond with enthusiasm. Although the scenario is far-fetched and obviously included to provide a context for an explicit sexual portrayal, it conveys the message that women will respond to male sexual domination.

Excisions have been considered. However, the sexual scenes contain a high extent of extremely degrading, dehumanising and demeaning elements and these elements are also present, albeit to a lesser extent and degree, in the remainder of the material. The feature is primarily intended for the sexual titillation and arousal of male viewers, who are intended to derive sexual gratification the manner in which both the storyline and the sexual scenes degrade, dehumanise and demean women and present them as inferior to men.

This classification interferes with the freedoms set out in the NZBR Act, but this outcome is reasonable, justified and consistent with Parliament's intention. It reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to prevent the availability of publications that are likely to be injurious to the public good for the reasons specified.